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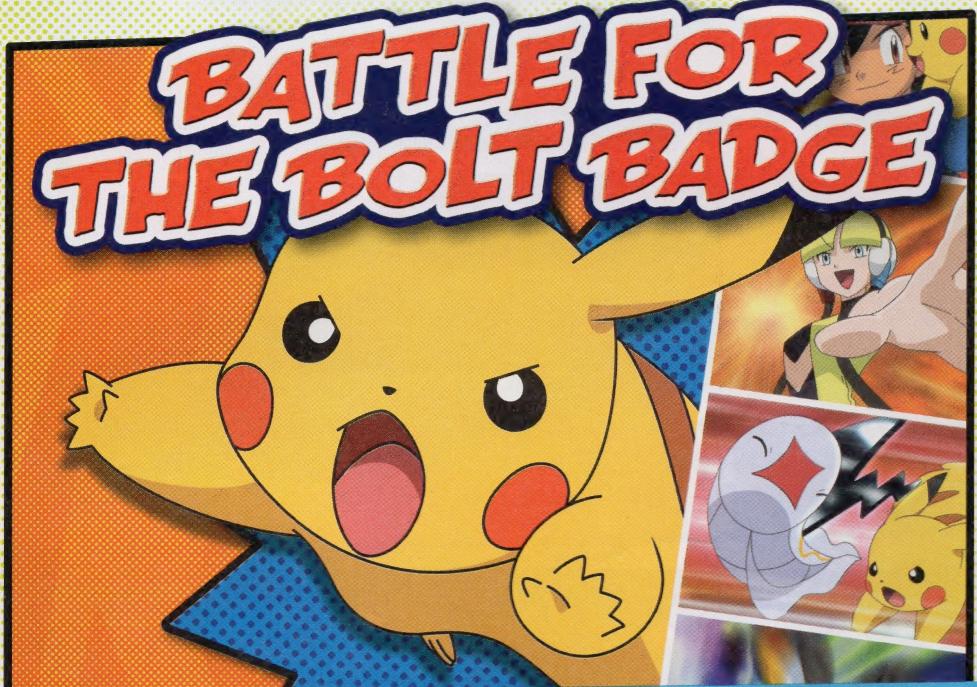


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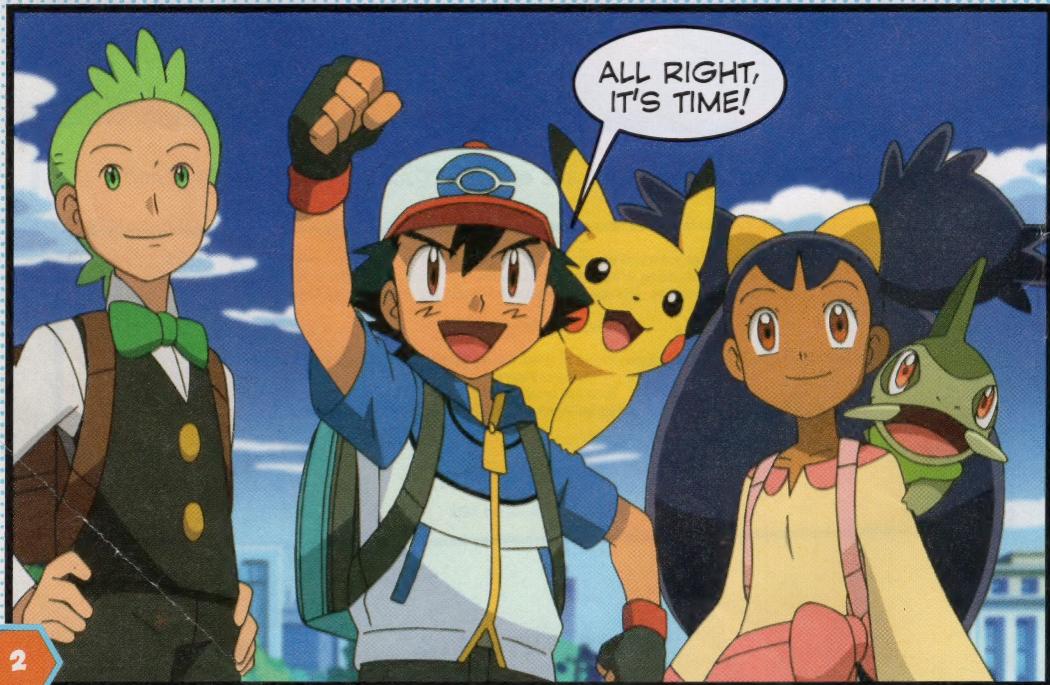
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ASH, PIKACHU, AND THEIR FRIENDS IRIS AND CILAN WERE VISITING NIMBASA CITY.



ASH WAS BUSY PLANNING HIS BATTLE STRATEGY AGAINST THE NIMBASA CITY GYM LEADER, ELESA. HE WAS DETERMINED TO WIN HIS NEXT UNOVA GYM BADGE.



THE ONLY WAY TO GET INSIDE THE NIMBASA CITY GYM WAS BY RIDING A ROLLERCOASTER.



ASH'S TRUSTY YELLOW POKÉMON WAS SITTING THIS BATTLE OUT.



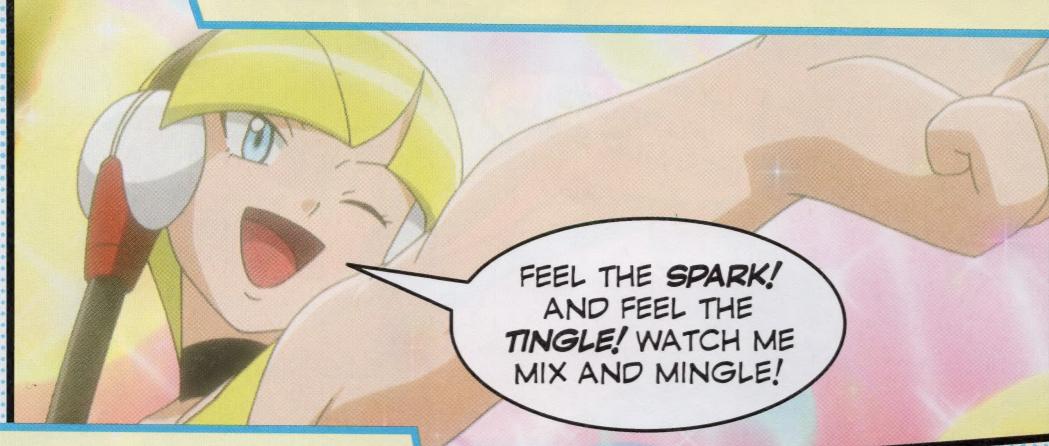
ASH STEPPED INTO THE STADIUM. THERE WAS A HUGE CROWD THERE TO WATCH THE BATTLE.



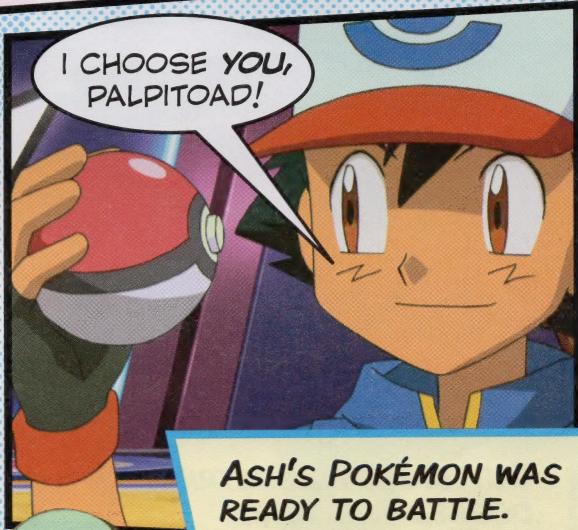
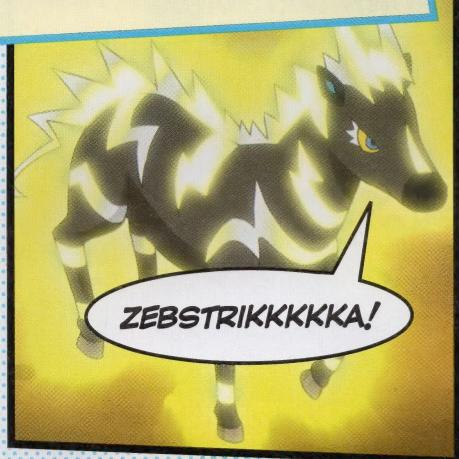
THE THREE-ON-THREE BATTLE WAS ABOUT TO BEGIN!



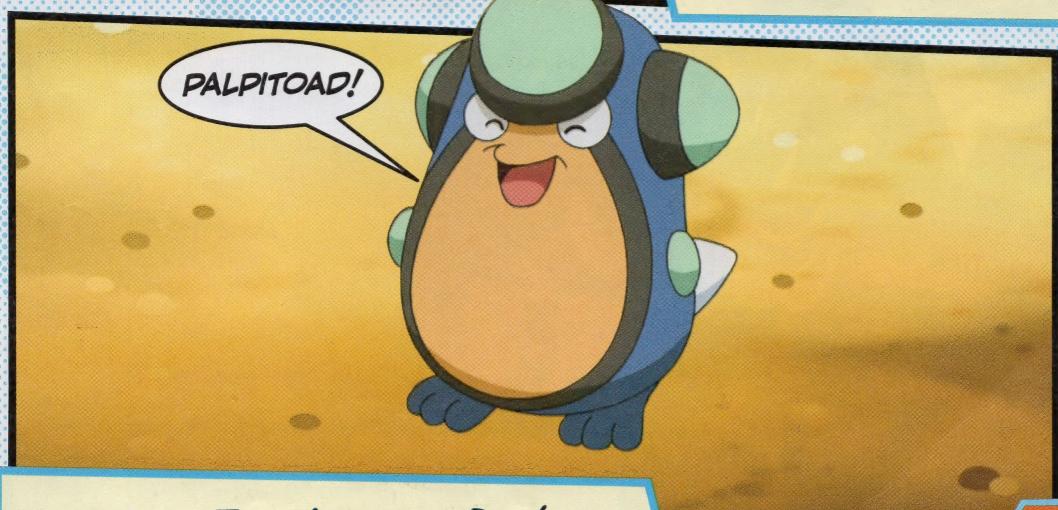
ELESA'S ZEBSTRIKA BURST OUT OF ITS POKÉ BALL.



ZEBSTRIKA: THE THUNDERBOLT POKÉMON



ASH'S POKÉMON WAS READY TO BATTLE.



PALPITOAD: THE VIBRATION POKÉMON

ASH DECIDED TO MAKE THE FIRST MOVE.

PALPITOAD,
USE MUD SHOT!

PALPITOAD FIRED OFF A ROUND
OF BROWN DIRT BALLS.

PALP PALP
PALP!

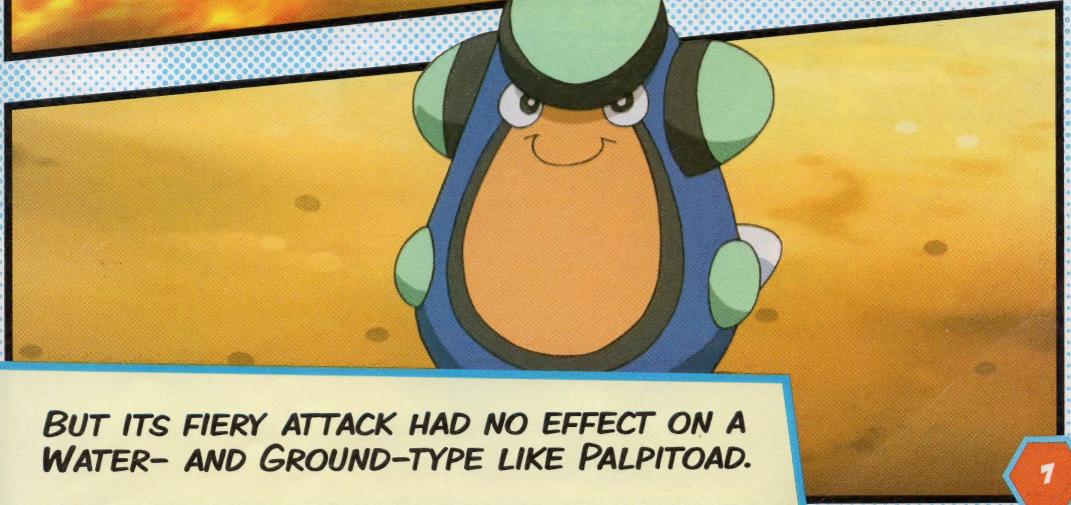
BUT SPEEDY ZEBSTRIKA
DODGED THE MOVE.





NOW, FLAME
CHARGE!

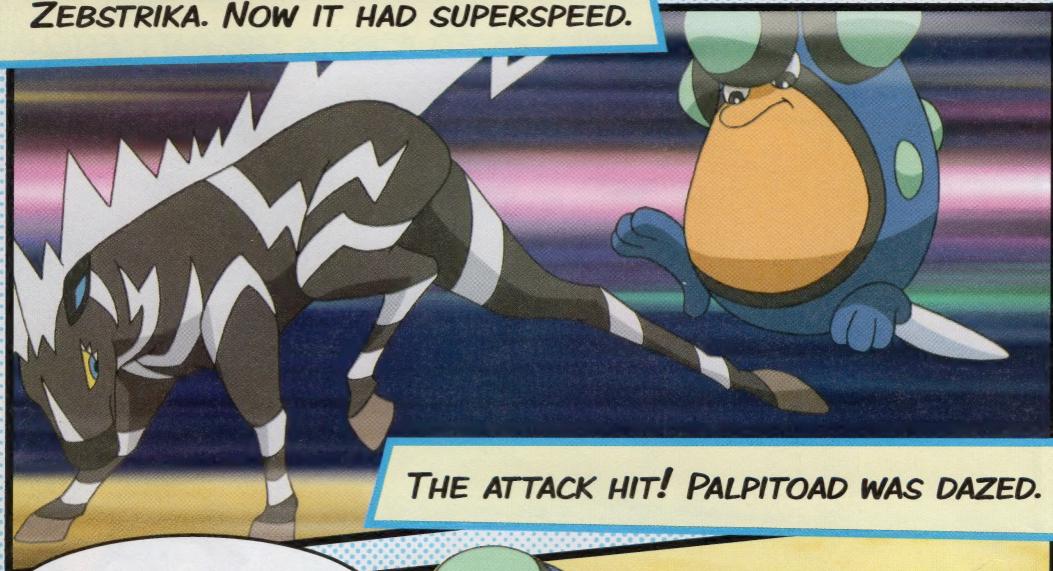
ZEBSTRIKA RACED ACROSS THE BATTLEFIELD.



ELESA HAD ANOTHER TRICK UP HER SLEEVE. . . .



FLAME CHARGE HAD POWERED UP
ZEBSTRIKA. NOW IT HAD SUPERSPEED.



THE ATTACK HIT! PALPITOAD WAS DAZED.





NOW FOR THE
FINAL ACT!
USE QUICK ATTACK!

ZEBSTRIKA SHONE LIKE THE
SUN AS IT SPED AT PALPITOAD.



PALPITOOOOOOOAD!

ZEBSTRIKA WAS FAST, BUT
PALPITOAD STAYED STRONG.



ALL RIGHT!

NOW PALPITOAD WAS READY TO MAKE ITS MOVE. . . .

SUPersonic!

THEN ASH HAD AN IDEA FOR A WINNING COMBINATION — MUD SHOT AND HYDRO PUMP!

PALPI-TOA-OA-OA-OA-OA!

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WAY TO GO,
PALPITOAD!



SPLASH!

WITH THAT, ASH AND PALPITOAD
WON THE FIRST ROUND!



BUT THE MATCH WASN'T OVER YET. ELESA BROUGHT OUT HER SECOND POKÉMON.



EMOLGA: THE SKY SQUIRREL POKÉMON



EMOLGA ZOOMED IN WITH ACROBATICS.



PALPITOAD TRIED TO SQUEAK OUT SUPERSONIC, BUT IT WAS TIRED.



PAAAAAAAAL. . . .

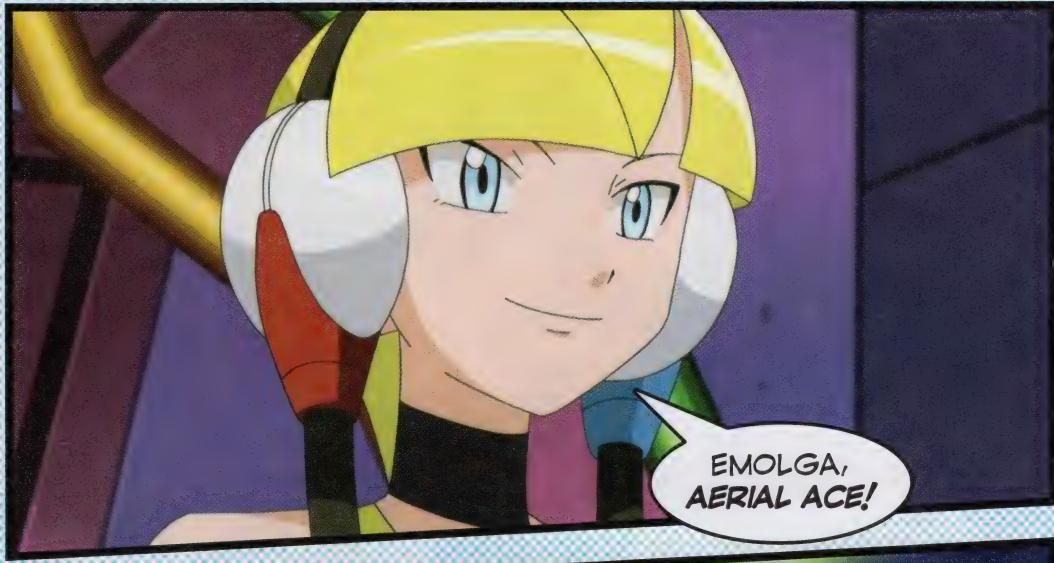
EMOLGA USED ONE OF ITS TRICKIEST MOVES — ATTRACT.



WINK!



UH-OH! PALPITOAD FELL UNDER EMOLGA'S SPELL.



THAT DID IT FOR PALPITOAD.
EMOLGA WON THE ROUND!

PALPITOOOOAD...



ASH DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO NEXT. AND HE HAD TO PUT HIS SECOND POKÉMON INTO PLAY — FAST!

I CHOOSE YOU,
SNIVY!

SNIVY: THE GRASS SNAKE POKÉMON

SNIVY!

SNIVY WAS TOUGH, BUT IT WASN'T THE BEST CHOICE FOR THIS BATTLE. . . .

HUH?

SNIVY TRIED VINE WHIP.

THWAP!

SNIVY TRIED LEAF BLADE.

EMOOOOOO!

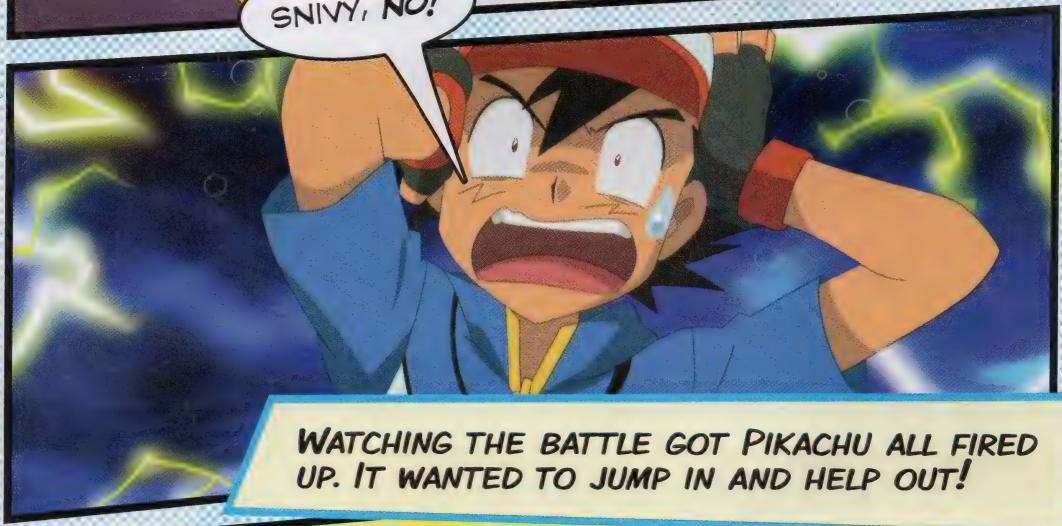
SNIIIIIVY!

SNIVY TRIED LEAF STORM.

SWOOSH!

DID IT
WORK?

BUT EMOLGA SIMPLY FLEW AWAY,
DODGING ALL OF SNIVY'S ATTACKS.



WATCHING THE BATTLE GOT PIKACHU ALL FIRED UP. IT WANTED TO JUMP IN AND HELP OUT!





NOW FOR A
DAZZLING FINISH!
AERIAL ACE!



EMOLGA SEEMED TO BE COMING
FROM EVERYWHERE AT ONCE!

SWOOSH!



SNIVY WAS TOO TIRED TO KEEP BATTLING. ASH HAD LOST THE SECOND ROUND.

SNIVY!
YOU OKAY?
YOU DESERVE A
GOOD REST!

THE FANS SEEMED TO THINK THE BATTLE WAS AS GOOD AS OVER...

GO, ELESA!

HOORAY!

YAY!

... BUT ASH STILL HAD ONE MORE CHANCE. IT WAS TIME TO PICK HIS THIRD AND FINAL POKÉMON.

WHAT AM I GONNA DO?! THERE'S THIS TYPE, AND THERE'S THAT TYPE, SO NOW WHAT?!

FOR PIKACHU, THE CHOICE WAS CLEAR.

I THOUGHT I NEEDED TO THINK UP SOME SORT OF AWESOME PLAN BY MYSELF! BUT I FORGOT SOMETHING.. I CAN'T BATTLE WITHOUT MY POKÉMON!

PIKA, PIKA!

I'M USELESS BY MYSELF PIKACHU, I NEED YOUR HELP, BUDDY!

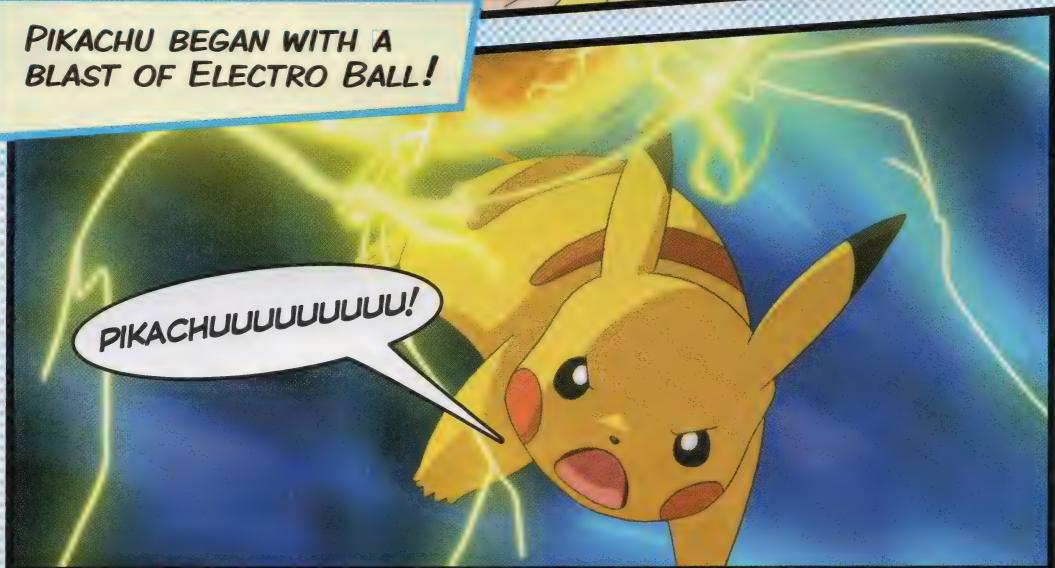
LET'S BATTLE WHAT DO YOU SAY?

PIIIIIKAAAAAA!

A BATTLE BETWEEN TWO ELECTRIC-TYPES IS A SHOW OF SPIRIT AND STRENGTH.



PIKACHU BEGAN WITH A BLAST OF ELECTRO BALL!



BUT EMOLGA COUNTERED WITH THE SAME MOVE!



ASH WAS THINKING FAST, AND PIKACHU ACTED EVEN FASTER.



EMO?!



PIKACHU WON THE ROUND AGAINST EMOLGA!

WHAT?
EMOLGA!



ELESA HAD TO CHOOSE HER THIRD AND FINAL POKÉMON.



TYNAMO: THE ELEFISH POKÉMON

IT'S MY TYNAMO!
THE BRIGHT LIGHT
IS ON YOU!

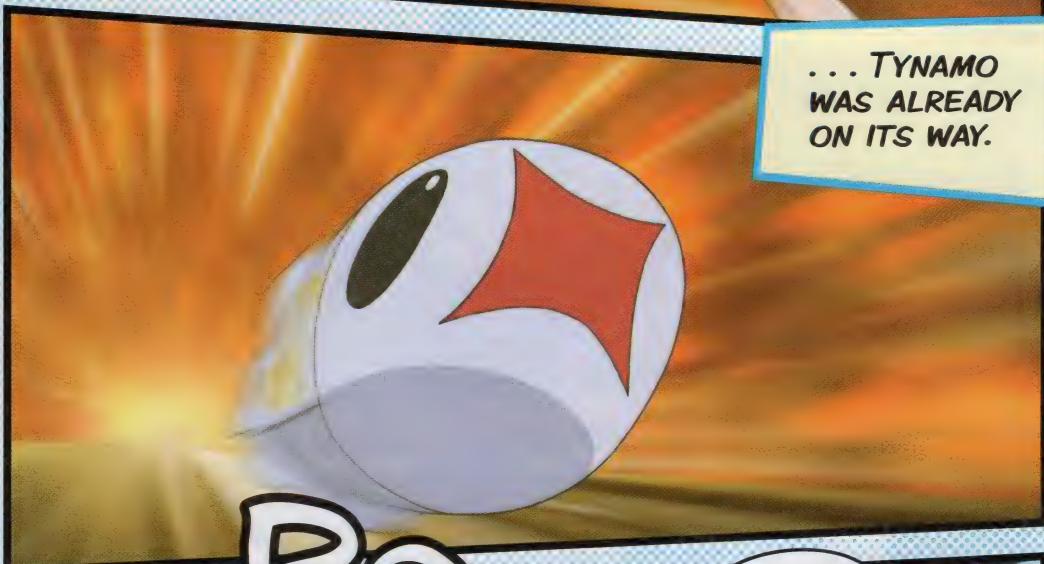
TYNAMO!

I'D BETTER
BE SHARP!



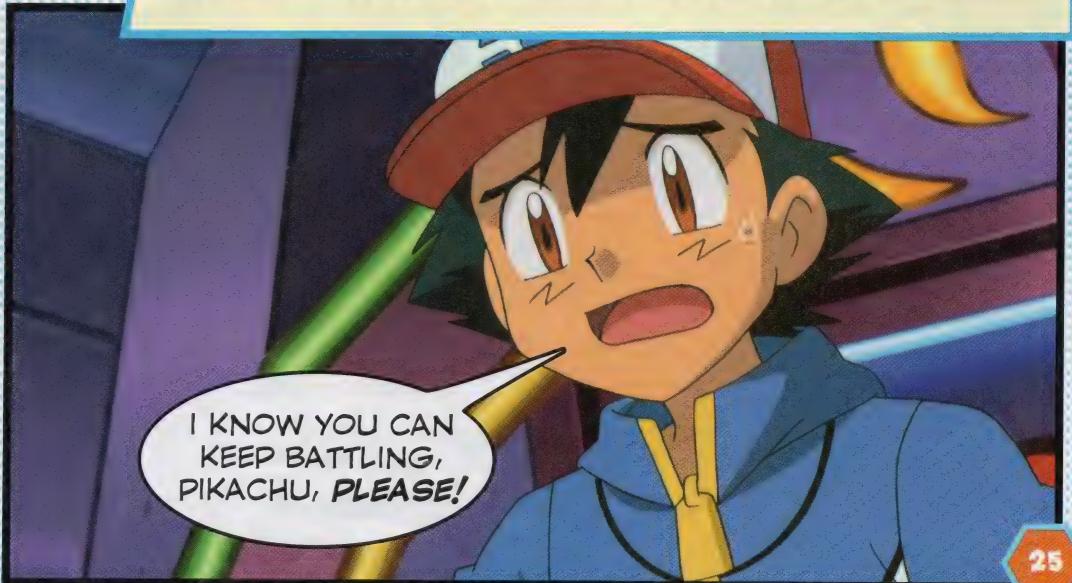
ASH LOOKED UP THE LITTLE ELECTRIC-TYPE IN HIS POKÉDEX.

BUT BEFORE ASH HAD TIME TO READ UP . . .





TYNAMO'S TACKLES PINNED PIKACHU TO THE GROUND!



PIKACHU WORKED WITH ALL ITS MIGHT TO BREAK FREE.

PIIIKKKAAAACHUUUUU!

SOON THE LITTLE YELLOW POKÉMON WAS BACK ON TOP AND READY TO BATTLE!

PIKACHU WAS JUST IN TIME FOR ASH'S LATEST PLAN. . . .



PIKACHU,
THUNDERBOLT! AND
I WANT TONS!

PIKACHU CHARGED UP . . .

PIKAAAAAAA . . .



... AND FIRED
OFF BRIGHT
BOLTS OF
LIGHTNING!

ZAP!
ZAP!
ZAP!

... CHU-CHU-CHU!

NONE OF THE THUNDERBOLTS WERE AIMED AT TYNAMO.



BUT EVERYTHING SEEMED TO BE GOING ACCORDING TO ASH'S PLAN. . . .



ELESA DECIDED IT WAS TIME FOR HER TO MAKE HER MOVE.

WHAT COULD THEY BE UP TO?

TYNAMO ZIPPED THROUGH THE AIR. BUT THE SMOKE FROM PIKACHU'S THUNDERBOLTS HID ASH'S ELECTRIC-TYPE, ALLOWING IT TO FIRE UP ITS NEXT MOVE . . . IRON TAIL!

TYNAMOOOOOOOOOOOO!



AS TYNAMO CLOSED IN, PIKACHU SPRANG INTO ACTION.

WHACK!



PIKACHU DEFEATED ELESA'S TYNAMO!

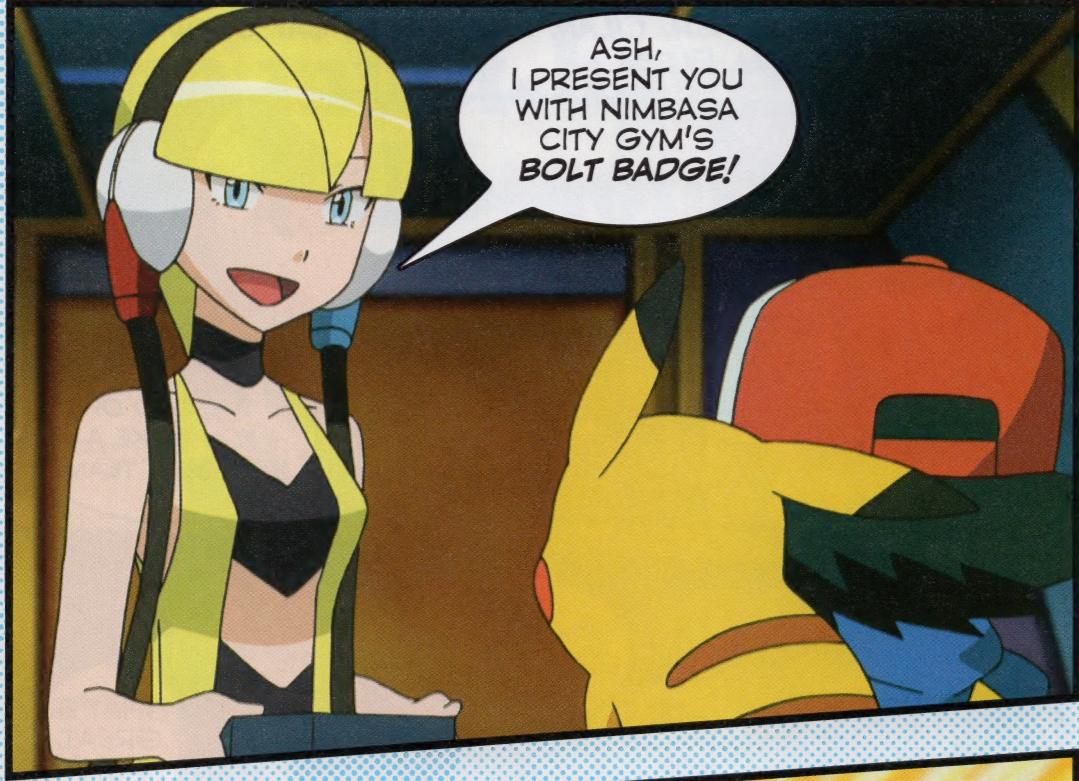
PIKA, PIKA!

ALL RIGHT!



ASH HAD WON HIS BATTLE WITH ELESA!





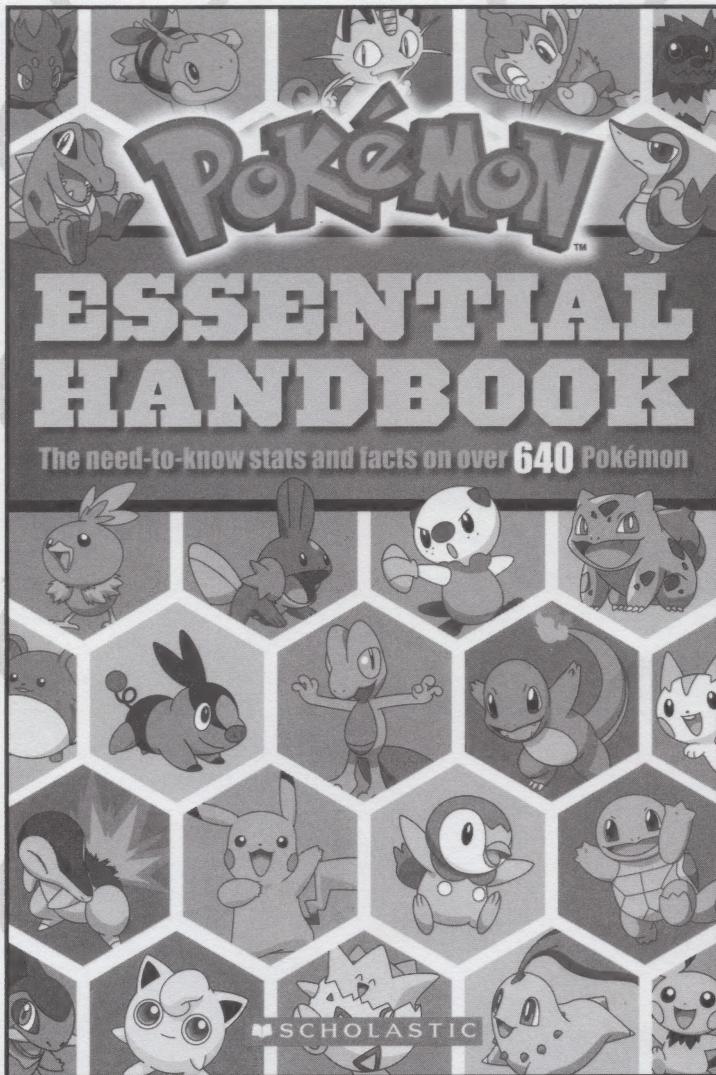
ASH,
I PRESENT YOU
WITH NIMBASA
CITY GYM'S
BOLT BADGE!



IT WAS TIME FOR ASH, CILAN, AND IRIS TO SAY GOOD-BYE TO THEIR NEW PAL ELESA.



The must-have book for Pokémon fans!



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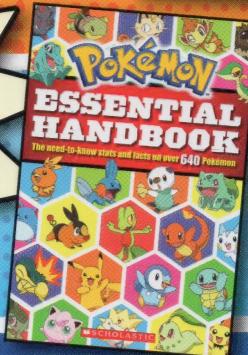
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THIS BATTLE IS GOING TO BE **ELECTRIC!**

ASH IS DETERMINED TO WIN HIS FOURTH GYM BADGE IN UNOVA. BUT THIS THREE-ON-THREE MATCH IS A SERIOUS TEST OF HIS SKILLS AS A TRAINER. LIKE ASH, GYM LEADER ELESA HAS A POWERFUL ELECTRIC-TYPE POKÉMON, SO SPARKS ARE SURE TO FLY! CAN ASH AND HIS POKÉMON FIGURE OUT A WAY TO DAZZLE THEIR OPPONENTS AND WIN THE BOLT BADGE?



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